metacarpals, are of the more ancient type represented in *Alces, Hydropotes,* etc. A gall-bladder is present. The young, as in so many Cervidae are spotted; but the adult is of a greyish-brown colour.

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8.—Musk Deer. *Moschus moschiferus.*

that *MoscTius* is more nearly related to

There is no doubt te Cervidae than to *T* Sir "W. Flower as " an undeveloped deer—an animal which

most points (absence of horns, smooth brain, retention of .ll~bladder, etc.) lias ceased to progress with the rest of the oup, while in some few (musk gland, mobile feet) it has taken special line of advance of its own,"

The musk itself, which gives its name to the creature, is ind in a gland on the belly, about the size of a hen's egg. ie "whole gland is cut out and sold in this condition. Such **of** musk deer have been and are killed for this purpose **the** rarity of the animal is increasing. In the seYenteenth